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Trade sentiment was steady to

noted. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were adequate to well cleared; tenders were readily available. Most leg cuts were in good balance. Weights were mixed but

mostly desirable.

## Fast Food Fax



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The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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## fully steady. Demand ranged fair to instances good, best where feature activity was Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: 12-MAY-2007 Weight Range 4.25 & Down 4.26-6.25 6.26-7.75 7.76 & Up

| 4.26-6.25 | 6.26-7.7       | <b>6</b> 7.76              | & Up Total     |
|-----------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| 78,202    | 28,480         | 12,091                     | 161,829        |
| 5.42      | 6.95           | 8.41                       | 5.49           |
| 48%       | 18%            | 7%                         | 100 %          |
|           | 78,202<br>5.42 | 78,202 28,480<br>5.42 6.95 | 5.42 6.95 8.41 |

| Fast Food and Food Service Sizes |                                 | No. of Head   | Percentage of   |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b>Live Weights</b>              | RTC WOG Weights                 | <u>(000</u> ) | Total Slaughter |
| 3.60 lbs. & Lighter              | Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.             | 6,606         | 4.08            |
| 3.61 - 3.80 lbs.                 | 2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.  | 4,646         | 2.87            |
| 3.81 - 4.00  lbs                 | 2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz. | 14,979        | 9.26            |
| 4.01 – 4.25 lbs.                 | 2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 15 oz     | <u>16,825</u> | 10.40           |
|                                  |                                 | 43,056        | 26.61           |

## BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

|   |         |     |         | Eggs Set |               | Chicks Placed Prelim. Fed. Insp. |               |          | sp.          |     |  |
|---|---------|-----|---------|----------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|-----|--|
| Slaughter                                   | Egg     |     | Chicks  |          | 10 Weeks      |                                  | 7 Weeks       |          | Million head |     |  |
| Week  | Sets    |     | Placed  |          | Previous      |                                  | Previous      |          | Slaughtered  |     |  |
|   | (000)   | %*  | (000)   | %*       | (000)         | %*                               | (000)         | %*       | (000)        | %** |  |
| Mar 17                                      | 214,968 | 101 | 173,745 | 98       | 210,475       | 99                               | 171,642       | 98       | 158,088      | 98  |  |
| Mar 24                                      | 215,412 | 102 | 175,472 | 99       | 211,204       | 99                               | 171,953       | 99       | 158,447      | 100 |  |
| Mar 31                                      | 215,379 | 101 | 175,827 | 99       | 208,591       | 97                               | 170,798       | 97       | 158,956      | 100 |  |
| Apr 07                                      | 218,304 | 101 | 176,441 | 101      | 210,236       | 98                               | 171,611       | 98       | 154,029      | 97  |  |
| Apr 14                                      | 218,856 | 102 | 176,883 | 102      | 211,617       | 99                               | 172,634       | 100      | 159,407      | 103 |  |
| Apr 21                                      | 220,669 | 104 | 177,553 | 101      | 212,295       | 100                              | 173,482       | 100      | 159,610      | 100 |  |
| Apr 28                                      | 218,318 | 104 | 180,769 | 102      | 214,750       | 100                              | 174,818       | 99       | 161,364      | 101 |  |
| May 05                                      | 218,443 | 103 | 180,590 | 102      | 214,659       | 99                               | 174,417       | 98       | 165,839      | 103 |  |
| May 12                                      | 220,061 | 103 | 180,552 | 104      | 216,547       | 100                              | 175,877       | 99       | 161,829      | 98  |  |
| Data in <b>bold</b> are subject to revision |         |     |         | *Perce   | ent of previo | us vear                          | **Percent cha | nge fror | n previous w | eek |  |

Data in bold are subject to revision - Percent of previous year - Percent change from previous week

| Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)            | Majority | <b>Current Week</b> | <b>Previous Week</b> | Year Ago |
|---|----------|---------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Week of 5/21/07                             |          |                     |                      |          |
| NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed                 | 81-84    | 82.76               | 79.95                | 54.25    |
| CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed                  | 80-83    | 81.47               | 78.35                | 53.47    |
| LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed              | 87       | 86.49               | 85.57                | 72.70    |
| <b>12-CITY COMPOSITE</b> Weighted Avg.      |          | 82.87               | 81.76                | 61.27    |
| GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock        | 79.75)   | 79.60               | 78.61                | 66.81    |
| <b>SOUTHERN STATES</b> FOB Whole Body 5 Day | Avg.     | 70.40               | 70.48                | 42.33    |

| Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.) | Northeast        | Southern States | Georgia           |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Weekly Weighted Average         | (Delivered)      | (FOB)           | (FOB)             |
|                                 | 05/18 <u>/07</u> | 05/18/07        | 05/21/07          |
| Breast – B/S                    | 171.63           | 164.83          | 184.00            |
| Tenderloins                     | 181.69           | 167.09          | 213.00 (Line run) |
| Breast – Line Run               | 111.36           | 109.09          | 113.50 (Whole)    |
| Leg Quarters                    | 42.88            | 42.45           | 46.00             |
| Wings                           | 126.56           | 123.29          | 140.00            |

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